Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 26 Feb 2022 until 23:59 on Sunday 27 Feb 2022

Forecast Issued on Saturday 26 Feb 2022 at 04:36 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for very windy conditions on Saturday. Lower confidence for timing and extent of any rain on Sunday then high for developments next week with more settled conditions by mid-week.

Headline for Saturday 26 Feb 2022: Very windy with storm force winds at height. Patchy light rain.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 26 Feb 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Dull	Dull	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Saturday 26 Feb 2022

Weather: Cloudy across most areas with patchy light rain, mainly over ranges west of the A9 and falling as sleet or snow above 1000m. Mainly dry further east with a few fleeting bright spells possible over the Aberdeenshire hills. Hazardous conditions on the tops height with severe gale or storm force winds.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Mainly 40% in the southwest but 70% in the northeast.

Low Cloud and visibility: Cloud and fog rather extensive above 700m or 800m with patches on lower slopes in the west. Cloud more broken with higher bases across the Aberdeenshire and Angus hills. Below the cloud base, mainly good but rather hazy in the west.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	57/66 SW	55/66 SW	51/63 SW	50/62 S	59/74 S	67/84 S	61/76 S
900	40/49 SW	40/51 SW	37/49 SW	36/49 S	44/58 S	51/67 S	46/62 S
600	24/41 SW	28/46 S	26/45 SW	25/44 S	29/51 S	38/64 S	35/59 S
300	12/28 SW	10/26 SW	15/34 S	14/31 SW	11/28 SW	14/37 SW	15/37 SW
Glen	17/36 SW	15/32 SW	16/33 SW	14/31 SW	11/27 SW	13/34 SW	16/37 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-0/-11	-1/-12	-1/-11	-1/-12	-2/-13	-2/-14	-3/-14
900	1/-7	1/-8	1/-7	1/-7	0/-9	-0/-10	-1/-10
600	3/-3	3/-4	4/-3	3/-3	3/-4	2/-6	2/-6
300	5/2	6/3	7/3	6/3	6/2	5/1	4/-0
Glen	6/2	7/3	7/4	7/4	6/3	6/2	5/1
Freezing Level*	1100m	1000m	1100m	1000m	900m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Strong winds will be the main feature to consider with gusts of 70 to 90mph giving and serious and potentially dangerous conditions on high ridges and summits. Sudden violent gusts will also affect low slopes at times. Very cold on tops.

Forecast for Sunday 27 Feb 2022

Weather: Cloudy with patchy light rain in the morning, mainly over ranges west of the A9 and falling as snow on the Munro tops. This should die out by the afternoon with bright spells coming through. Outbreaks of rain, with summit snow will then spread east during the evening.

Maximum wind: Southerly 50mph, gusts 80mph overnight, easing to 20mph gusts 30mph during the morning. Increasing again to southerly 40-50mph, gusts 75mph through the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in morning, improving to 70% in afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud above 800m in morning. Cloud breaking up through the afternoon leaving patchy summit cloud but becoming more extensive again in evening. Away from cloud, mainly good but rather hazy.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 Celsius rising to 6 or 7 Celsius.
At 800m: Zero Celsius.
Freezing level: 800m.

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